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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Transfer of the GPO-State Service Printing Plant to the Central Intelligence Agency.

On 3 January 1957 Mr. James L. Harrison, Staff Director of the Joint Committee on Printing, telephoned to advise me that the Joint Committee had approved of the transfer of the GPO-State Service Plant to the Central Intelligence Agency and that a letter would be forthcoming to that effect without delay. He stated that during the course of the Committee's consideration of this matter several members had raised the question as to what would happen to the present Chief of the Plant, Mr. [REDACTED], and that he had told them that it was his understanding that Mr. [REDACTED] would become the head of the whole Plant when it was merged with our [REDACTED] installation. I informed him that this was not the case, that Mr. [REDACTED] was the head of our Printing Services Division (which includes supervision of the Printing and Reproduction Plant) and that we had no intention of placing Mr. [REDACTED] over him. Mr. Harrison indicated that he thought Mr. [REDACTED] was our "technical advisor" but not actually in charge of the Plant. I assured him that this was not the case inasmuch as he had been in actual charge of the Plant for something like a year or more. However, I stated that we intended to take Mr. [REDACTED] along with all of the other personnel transferred to us and that I could assure him and the Committee that Mr. [REDACTED] would not be hurt in any way as long as he continued to do a good job. Mr. Harrison seemed to be completely satisfied with my explanation and stated that there were no conditions attached to the transfer but that he did want me to know that the Committee was interested in this aspect of the matter.

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